

REPORTS—REGISTER AND RECEIVER ST. STEPHEN'S
LAND DISTRICT.

LETTER

FROM

THE SECRETARY OF THE TREASURY,

TRANSMITTING

*A copy of two reports by the Register and Receiver of the land office for
the district of St. Stephen's, Alabama.*

JUNE 13, 1834.

Referred to the Committee on the Public Lands.

TREASURY DEPARTMENT,

June 11, 1834.

SIR: I have the honor to transmit a copy of two reports by the register and receiver of the land office for the district of St. Stephen's, Alabama, prepared in obedience to the third section of the act of Congress, approved 2d March, 1829.

I have the honor to be,

Respectfully, sir,

Your obedient servant,

R. B. TANEY,

Secretary of the Treasury.

HON. SPEAKER of the House of Representatives.

LAND OFFICE,

St. Stephen's, May 23, 1834.

SIR: We have forwarded with this our reports Nos. 5 and 6, under the third section of the act of 2d March, 1829.

Very respectfully,

Your obedient servants,

JNO. B. HAZARD, *Register.*

JOHN H. OWEN, *Receiver.*

HON. ELIJAH HAYWARD,

Commissioner General Land Office.

No. 5.—*ABSTRACT of claims to land situated east of Pearl river, west of the Perdido, and below the thirty-first degree of latitude, presented to the register and receiver of the land office for the district of St. Stephen's, in the State of Alabama, acting as commissioners under the authority of the third section of the act of Congress of the 2d March, 1829, entitled "An act confirming the reports of the register and receiver of the land office for the district of St. Stephen's, in the State of Alabama, and for other purposes."*

No.	By whom claimed.	Original claimant.	Nature of claim.	Tract claimed.	Quantity claimed.	Possession.	
						From	To
1	Peter Baptiste John Pierre Baptiste Bedo Baptiste Usan Baptiste Louis Baptiste Harriet Baptiste	John Pierre Baptiste	Spanish grant from J. B. Morales, dated Sept. 30, 1808, being a confirmation of a grant from the Governor of Louisiana, dated in 1792.	Forty arpens deep by the front between Bayo Haman and the river Orbanne.	Unknown.	1803	1813

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The foregoing claimants appear to have been residents of that part of Louisiana situated east of Pearl river, west of the Perdido, and below the thirty-first degree of latitude, on the 15th of April, 1813, and on that day, and for ten consecutive years previous thereto, to have been in possession of the tract claimed; it is, therefore, recommended for confirmation for the quantity contained in a league square, to include such lands as may have been heretofore confirmed under this title. All of which is respectfully submitted.

JNO. B. HAZARD, *Register.*
JOHN H. OWEN, *Receiver.*

No. 6.—*ABSTRACT of claims to land situated east of Pearl river, west of the Perdido, and below the thirty-first degree of latitude, presented to the register and receiver of the land office for the district of St. Stephen's, in the State of Alabama, acting as commissioners under the authority of the act of Congress of the 2d March, 1829, entitled "An act confirming the reports of the register and receiver of the land office for the district of St. Stephen's, in the State of Alabama, and for other purposes."*

No.	By whom claimed.	Nature of claim.	Tract claimed and where situated.	Possession.	
				From	To
1	John Baptiste Bouzage	Possession on April 15, 1813, and for ten consecutive years previous thereto.	Bayo de Douse -	1803	April 15, 1813.
2	John Ladnier -	Same as above - - -	On the sea coast at Biloxi - -	1803	April 15, 1813.
3	Heirs of Philip Saucier	Same as above - - -	Mouth of Wolf river -	1798	April 15, 1813.
4	Pierre Cano -	Same as above - - -	Bay of St. Louis -	1798	April 15, 1813.
5	Charles Farre -	Same as above - - -	Bay of St. Louis -	1803	April 15, 1813.
6	Louise Nicaise -	Same as above - - -	Bay of St. Louis -	1798	April 15, 1813.
7	Amelitte Sissassier -	Same as above - - -	Bay of St. Louis -	1801	April 15, 1813.
8	John Baptiste Lardass -	Same as above - - -	Bay of St. Louis -	1793	April 15, 1813.
9	Dominique Ladner -	Same as above - - -	Bay of Biloxi -	1798	April 15, 1813.
10	Jarquean Ladner -	Same as above - - -	Bay of Biloxi -	1798	April 15, 1813.
11	Charles Asmar -	Same as above - - -	Bass Christien -	1783	April 15, 1813.
12	Claude Ladner -	Same as above - - -	Lake Borgne -	1793	April 15, 1813.
13	Valentine Bourgois -	Same as above - - -	Bay of St. Louis -	1798	April 15, 1813.

The foregoing claimants appear to have been residents of that part of Louisiana situated east of Pearl river, west of the Perdido, and below the thirty-first degree of latitude, on the 15th of April, 1813, and on that day, and for ten consecutive years previous thereto, to have been in possession of the tracts claimed. It is the opinion of the undersigned that although the foregoing claimants have no written evidence of claim, they are entitled to a league square of land under the law, provided they had that quantity in possession; but as they do not prove what the foregoing tracts contain, they are recommended for confirmation for such quantity as Congress may think proper to give. All of which is respectfully submitted.

LAND OFFICE, *St. Stephen's, Alabama, May 23, 1834.*

JOHN B. HAZARD, *Register.*
JOHN H. OWEN, *Receiver.*

